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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1888.

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W.M. WILLES, 151, Cannon Street, E.C.
PARIS AND EUROPE.—AMERI PRINCE & Co., 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.
CEYLON.—W. M. SWIFT & Co., The APTERHOUSES Co., Colombo.
SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAVILE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. IRVING & Co., Manila.
CHINA.—MAZOU, F. A. de CRUZ, SANTO, QUICHE & Co., ANONY, N. MOAINE, Foochow, HENDE & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & CO.

Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank it marked. On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, September 1, 1888. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$3,900,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-} \$7,500,000
PRIORS,.....

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—C. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—Hon. J. BELL LIVINGSTON, Esq.
W. H. F. DABY, Esq. Hon. A. P. McEWEN, Esq.
H. L. DALGETY, Esq. S. G. MICHAELSEN, Esq.
W. H. FORBES, Esq. J. S. MOSES, Esq.
H. HOPKINS, Esq. Hon. F. D. SASOON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER,
HONGKONG,....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER,
Shanghai,....EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS,....London and County Bank.

HONGKONG,
INTEREST ALLOWED.

(Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.)

On Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drifts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 20, 1887. 363

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE Have authorized Mr. GUSTAV DEGENER BÖNING to sign our Firm by Procuration from this date, in Hongkong and China.

CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 3

NOTICE.

WE Have This Day Admitted Mr. MARCUS DAVID EZEKIEL a PARTNER in our Firm in Hongkong and China.

E. D. SASOON & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 4

NOTICE.

Mr. M. GROTE has This Day been Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm CHATER & VERNON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 5

NOTICE.

Intrust and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. ALFRED TIDSWELL DUVAL Firm ceased on the 31st December.

DEACON & Co.

Canton, 7th January, 1888. 45

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG,
No. 1165.

A regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY EVENING, the 16th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, January 10, 1888. 56

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

PASSENGERS can at the present time of the year engage Berths through to Europe, via Bombay, without change of steamer or increase of fare.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

3rd December, 1887. 2353

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE EASTERN TERM will Commence on MONDAY, the 16th Instant, at 9 a.m. New PUPILS will be admitted on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 10 a.m.

C. J. BATEMAN,
Head Master.

Hongkong, January 5, 1888. 30

ANDREW JOHNSTON,
Consulting Engineer,
Marine House, Queen's Road.

PLANS and ESTIMATES prepared for LIGHT DRAUGHT STEAMERS, STEAM LAUNCHES, MARINE ENGINES and BOILERS, and all other kinds of MACHINERY.

A List of Steamers FOR SALE always on hand.

The Address as above.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 21

NOTICE.

The Undersigned are SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of THE MONTSEERRAT LIME JUICE, AND THE MONTSEERRAT LIME JUICE CORDIALS.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, May 3, 1887. 364

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,
Surgeon Dentist,

(Formerly ARTICLED APPRENTICE and LAT-
TERLY ASSISTANT to Dr. ROGERS.)

At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS.

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address.

2, DUDDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

Hongkong, January 12, 1888. 66

THE BRITISH BARQUE NAROO.

THE Undersigned being about to PURCHASE THE BRITISH BARQUE NAROO, the Transfer whereof will be effected within one month from this date hereby request all Persons having CLAIMS against the said Vessel to send Particulars of such Claims to the Undersigned on or before the 31st January, 1888.

PEN KEE,
Hong Lay Street.

Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 18

THE CHINA & JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CENTRAL EXCHANGE 4, CLUB CHAMBERS.

THE above Company's EXCHANGE is NOW OPEN for Telephonic Communication.

Rate of Subscription is \$80 per Annum, payable quarterly in advance. Electrical Material of all descriptions kept in stock for Sale.

ELECTRIC BELLS a specialty.

Houses fitted up and kept in order at most Moderate Prices.

TELEPHONE MATERIAL supplied on Sale or Hire.

AGENTS for ELECTRIC LIGHTING, both ARC and INCANDESCENT.

Estimates furnished free.

HAROLD DOWSON,
Agent,

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, August 24, 1887. 1010

R. A. F. L. E. S. H. O. T. E. L.,
2, Beach Road, Singapore.

M. S. R. S. S. B. R. O. T. H. E. R. S. have the honour to inform their Friends and Patrons that they have OPENED the above HOTEL on the 1st of December.

The Situation is one of the best and healthiest in the town, facing the sea, and within a few minutes' walk of the Public Offices and the Square.

Great care and attention for the comfort of Boarders and Visitors have been taken in every detail, and those frequenting it will find every convenience and home comfort.

From the great experience Messrs. SARKEES BROTHERS have gained in the MANAGEMENT of the EASTERS and the ORIENTAL HOTELS in Penang, and the success that has attended them, they are confident that the RAFFLES HOTEL will meet a great want long felt in Singapore.

The sole endeavour of the Proprietors will be to attend to the comfort of their Visitors.

TERMS MODERATE.

SARKEES BROTHERS,
Proprietors.

21st December, 1887. 2478

NOTICE.

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Canton, 7th January, 1888. 45

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
FOR SALE.

Smith's Glasgow Tobaccos:

SMITH'S CUT NAVY.

SMITH'S FLAKED GOLD LEAF.

SMITH'S GLASGOW MIXTURE.

SMITH'S GOLDEN BIRDSEYE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 9, 1888.

STAG HOTEL,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

THE HOTEL IS CENTRALLY SITUATED AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES' WALK FROM THE THREE MAJOR LANDINGS PLACES.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

CHARGES MODERATE.

TIFFIN at 1 o'clock DINNER at 7.30.

WELL VENTILATED BILLIARD ROOM.

TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.

Mails.



Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.
TO-MORROW EVENING,
the 12th January, 1888.
FIRST PERFORMANCE
OF THE
FRENCH OPERA BOUFFE
COMPANY.

UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF
His Excellency the Governor, Sir G. WIL-
LIAM DES VIEUX, K.C.M.G.,
AND
His Excellency Major-General WILLIAM
GORDON CAMERON, C.B.

FIRST APPEARANCE OF
MELLE, SORIAMA-DESCHAMP,
Artiste from the Theatre Odéon—Paris.

Prices of Admission:
Dress Circle and Stalls \$2.00.
Unreserved Seats \$1.00.

A Plan of the Theatre is on view at Messrs.
Hahn, Pinon & Co.'s, where Seats may be
booked.

C. DARON,
Director.
Hongkong, January 11, 1888. 54

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC
CLUB.

THE SECOND PERFORMANCE
OF THE SEASON,
will take place
ON

Tuesday,
the 17th January, 1888, at 9 p.m.
When will be produced SHERIDAN'S COMEDY
'THE RIVALS.'

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs.
Lane, Crawford & Co., on and after
Monday, the 9th January, 1888, at 9 a.m.
H. M. THOMSETT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 4, 1888. 20

INSURANCE.
NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above
Company, are authorized to Insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & CO.
Hongkong, January 1, 1888. 14

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

NOTICE.
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

THE above Company is prepared to
assume MARINE RISKS at Current
Rates on Goods, &c. Policies granted to
all parts of the World payable at any of its
Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, December 2, 1887. 2349

Hongkong, December 29, 1887. 2030

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,
SUEZ, PORT
SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA & BALTIK PORTS;

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargos can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

ON MONDAY, the 23rd day of January,
1888, at 4 p.m., the Company's
Steamship NEOKAR, Captain SUMMER,
with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE
and CARGO, will leave this port as above,
calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon. Cards will be received on board
until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3
p.m. on the 22nd January. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be
left at the Agency's Office). Contents and
seals of packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 27, 1887. 2515

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

THE Undersigned Agents for the above
Company are prepared to ACCEPT
RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NORTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 16, 1887. 1340

To-day's Advertisements.

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for CHIEFOO, HANKOW and Ports
on the YANGTSE.)

The Co.'s Steamship
Finsdale.

Captain Hoo, will be
despatched as above on
FRIDAY, the 13th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 11, 1888. 65

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHIEFOO, NEW-
CHIANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and
Ports on the YANGTSE.)

The Co.'s Steamship
Belloperion.

Capt. GUTHRIE, will be
despatched as above on
FRIDAY, the 20th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 11, 1888. 62

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IN View of the extreme difficulty which
is at present experienced, and which is
likely to occur, of maintaining a SUPPLY
of FRESH VACCINE LYMPH, His Ex-
cellency the GOVERNOR has in contemplation
the Provision of the Requisite means
of obtaining at all times within the Colony
LYMPH FRESH from the CAPE.

In the belief that this advantage may be
best attained by private enterprises, under
Government supervision, His Excellency
invites proposals on the subject, to be forwarded
through the Colonial Secretary, stating what conditions would be fulfilled
for the accomplishment of the above object,
and on what terms.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 11th January, 1888. 63

ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 523.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Biapao, from Bombay, 145 Chinese.

Per Meefoo, from Ching, 7 Chinese.

Per Tarapac, from Sandakan, N.B., 3
Chinese.

Per Dafua, from Manila, 77 Chinese.

Per Cruiser, from Saigon, 16 Chinese.

DEPARTURES.

January 11:—

Camelot, for Swatow and Amoy.

Lech Linche, for Manila.

Namoa, for Coast Ports.

Leong Wha, for Celebes.

GLEAHL.

Cheang Hock Kian, for Swatow.

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MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet City
of Peking will be despatched on SA-

TURDAY, the 21st Instant, with Mails
for Japan, San Francisco, the United
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c.,
which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M. Registry ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Corre-
spondence may be posted on board the
Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra
Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE NETHERLANDS PACKET.

The Netherlands Mail Packet City
of Batavia will be despatched on SA-

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MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

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MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES

THE CHINA MAIL.

This French in Cochin-China follow faithfully the barbarous custom of their compatriots at home in their mode of settling personal disputes. They, however, it would seem, go about the work in a more earnest and genuinely savage fashion, and are not content with a mere scratch in satisfaction of 'honour.' The other day a Captain of Infantry and a Government official faced each other at a distance of 20 paces. The conditions of the duel were, three shots to be exchanged on aim being taken and at the word of command. The Captain got his thigh pierced through; the official was wounded in the stomach, the ball lodging in the muscles of the back, and his condition is said to be very grave. The dispute had lasted for about five months, and we suppose was considered settled after this 'meeting.'

We have already drawn attention to the lack of a properly-fitted Epidemic Hospital, and have recommended that the Lock Hospital be set aside for such a purpose. This proposal—which we believe emanated from Dr Cantlie—will probably be acted upon by the authorities, if the threatened spread of Small-pox assumes really serious dimensions. Curiously enough, the most important precautionary measure of vaccination, which we formerly so strongly advocated, has also its drawbacks. There is a great dearth of lymph with which to perform this simple operation. It appears there are many difficulties in the way of importing vaccine, and also of keeping it after it is imported. Medical men say that it is not worth while to get it by way of the Suez Canal, as it is almost useless after being conveyed by that route. For that reason the most reliable lymph is obtained by the steamers from San Francisco. Whether private practitioners can rightly be blamed for failing to see that a supply of vaccine is on hand for their patients, is a matter for the practitioners and patients to settle amongst themselves. Europeans here are seldom threatened with the disease. But, as the Chinese experience the scourge in a more or less severe form every year, it does seem strange that the Sanitary Board, or the Government, have failed to take steps to provide the Colony with reliable vaccine. The opinion is held by many residents that the appearance of small-pox this cold season earlier than usual is due in some measure to the large numbers of natives who crowded the city during the Jubilee Celebrations. That is now more than two months ago, and still the want of vaccine is very sorely felt. One would have thought that a Colony, blessed in the possession of a Sanitary Board, would have sought by some means to have placed itself in a safer position in this respect than it seems to be, and have started a Vaccine Establishment of its own. The first intimation given by the Sanitary Board of its acknowledgement of the existence of Small-pox was in the celebrated Minutes, published about a month after the meeting so intimated had taken place. Had this meeting been reported, as every meeting of the kind is reported in every part of the civilised world, the deficiency would probably have been discovered long ago. It is stated—we do not know with what truth—that in Japan they prepare their own lymph, and are independent of supplies conveyed by means of unreliable tides from the West. Why should it not be so here, where a regular demand annually arises?

While writing on this subject, the Notification (published elsewhere) has been handed to us. It is pleasant to observe that the Government has recognised the situation, and asked for suggestions to remedy the evil of which we have been writing. Any remedial measures, however, must now refer, we presume, to the next season's visitation—for we sincerely hope that the present outbreak has already nearly finished its course. Better late than never, is evidently the motto of the Sanitary Board; and it is very clear that this will always be the case until this public body is permitted or ordered to hold its sittings with open doors. It cannot surely be intended that the Public Board of Health is to continue sitting like conspirators until the Public Health Bill goes through all its varied experiences in the Colonial Office. What says the Hon. A. P. MacEwan?

The *Bombay Gazette*, referring to Dr Manson's speech at the opening of the Medical College, and more particularly to the part in which he spoke of the future development of the Chinese Empire, says:—"For our part, it were certain that the establishment of a Medical School to teach the Chinese how to eradicate preventable diseases would have for one of its effects the growth of a homogeneous empire extending from the Amoor to Australia, we should prefer to leave the Chinese their present Medical Science, and allow them to go on blowing hot and cold with their present limits."

The *Bangkok Times* says:—"Among the many great reforms which have taken place, none have been more remarkable than the improvements introduced into the Army. Some two years back it would have been an impossibility to turn out an expeditionary force as perfect in all respects as the one that lately left here for Luang Prabang. The regiment, however, was easily got together, and its departure seems in no way to have drained Bangkok of troops, for hundreds of others can daily be noticed being drilled in front of the Royal barracks. They are all picked, pinewy fellows, and we feel that the European officers entrusted with the drilling of such material, if properly treated by their superiors, (as we have to believe they now are) will produce a military corps. The drill is English, and the bayonets are slightly curved and adapted to the gauntlets. Requirements and tactics, and whatever the men do, they do well."

Agents of prominent French and English ship-builders are negotiating with the principal iron works of Burma, with the object of establishing an extensive naval yards similar to Armstrong's in Italy. It is stated that Spain will consent to give contracts to the projectors to build men-of-war.

The *Forbury or Burma*.—We do not think, says the Pioneer, Sir Charles Bernard has quite over-estimated the future of Burma when he stated that in twenty years' time it would be the most prosperous, the best educated and the most go-ahead Province in India. It is already probably in the matter of the 'three R's' far in advance of any other Province, for the Buddhist priests are so numerous and their educational system so universal that the majority of the people can read, write and cipher. High education on the Western model has already spread its influence to some extent over Pagan, and it will gradually embrace Upper Burma as the country settles down. The raw material on which educational matters have to work is the best, for the Burman, even of the lower ranks, is intelligent and observant, though apt to take life a little too easily. As to the material prosperity of the country there can be little doubt that it is making great strides already, and as money flows into the new Province its natural resources will be rapidly developed. It has a magnificent river highway giving free communication from Bhamo to the sea; and a subsidiary stream, the Chindwin, which can be navigated for several hundred miles above Ahlon. Its mineral wealth is unquestionably great; its teak forests are unrivaled; and millions of acres are lying ready for cultivation if only a population can be found. Its great want at present is means of communication inland; but the Tengnallo-Mandalay railway is being pushed on; a survey for another line between Kenda and Sagan (which may eventually be linked on to the Indian system, viz. Manipur) is contemplated; and main trunk-roads with feeders are being made. The Shan States are being opened up on the east, and trade is to develop in this direction; while every endeavour is being made to revive the past commercial greatness of Bhamo as an entrepot for Yunnan. The expense of government must undoubtedly be heavy until complete pacification has been attained, but year by year this will grow lighter and the drain, upon the local revenues will decrease. For years past Lower Burma has contributed a crore of rupees to the Imperial Exchequer in India; it will continue to do so under the Provincial contract, but, as that Exchequer bears the cost of the military and police expenditure in the Upper Province, Burma as a whole gets a *quid pro quo*.

THE RACE FOR THE DOUGLAS CHALLENGE CUP.

We have received the following correspondence, which we publish, as requested:

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL'
Hongkong, 11th Jan., 1888.

Dear Sir,—As the fact has been published that a protest was entered against the Naomi scoring a win in the last race for the Douglas Challenge Cup, I beg to place in your hands copies of the correspondence that has passed upon the subject.

To avoid misapprehension I desire to say that I lay no claim to the cup on behalf of the *Katleen*. I only ask that if my objection is upheld, the cup shall be retained, and raced for next year, the Naomi still having one victory to her credit.

As this race has been before the community for so many years, you may think it of sufficient public interest to warrant space being granted in your valuable paper, to publish these details.

I am, dear Sir, your obedient servant,
MONTAGUE BEAUM.

(Copy.)
Honkong, Monday morning.

Dear Mr. Forbes.—It is reported to me by Mr. Howell and Mr. Kirkman, that by orders given to them, by either yourself or by some one representing you on board the Naomi, during the race for the Douglas Challenge Cup, the launch—which was accompanying the yacht in case of accidents—conducted or directed your boat round the White Rock on Saturday night, thus giving the Naomi a start.

Will you please let me know what explanation this bears, in justice to the yachts competing?

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MONTAGUE BEAUM.

(Copy.)
January 9th, 1888.

Pear Mr. Beart.—I have yours of this morning, and in reply would state that we did ask the launch that was near us at the tide, to pick up the White Rock for us. The foreigners on board stated that they did not know where it was, and our pilot gave them the course to steer. The Naomi was kiting up at the time on account of the tide. Before the launch found the rock, we had picked up the small islands to the eastward, and had already altered our course for the Rock, before the launch whistled.

We did not take an unfair advantage of the other yachts, as at the time I speak of we were close to the Rock, and could have found it in a minute or two without the assistance of the launch.

It is a pity the men on board did not tell you that we ordered the launch to remain at the White Rock, so as to show the other yachts where it was.

However, if you wish to make a point of this, I am at your service to sail the race over again if it is decided that I took an unfair advantage of you.

Yours truly,
(Signed) W. H. FORBES.

M. Beart, Esq.

(Copy.)
Honkong, Monday afternoon.

Dear Mr. Forbes.—Thanks for your letter in reply to my note of this morning. I hesitate to press my opinion upon you, for, in the limited yachting circle here, it is a pity to even risk disturbing the good friendship which now exists. But in this particular case, which has been contested as keenly for a number of years, I think all interested should unite in keeping the fight from any question of unfairness.

I am sure you will agree with me in this, and if it meets with your approval, I would suggest that the facts of the occurrence to which I take objection shall be placed before a competent committee, local or otherwise, and its opinion be asked and accepted as such.

Answering your proposal to sail the race again I cannot say the solution of that difficulty presents itself to me in that light. The race has certainly been sailed, and Mount ever won it or she is disqualified.

Partly in a yachtsman's spirit I raise the point.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MONTAGUE BEAUM.

(Copy.)
Honkong, Jan. 10, 1888.

Dear Mr. Beart.—I have your note of yesterday afternoon.

I consider that I have fairly and square

won the Douglas Challenge Cup, and I only regret that you should not think so.

Under the circumstances, however, I am quite willing to leave the decision to Mr. Bottomley, the donor of the cup.

I am, yours truly,
(Signed) W. H. FORBES.

M. Beart, Esq.

(Copy.)
Tuesday afternoon.

Dear Mr. Forbes.—In reply to yours of this date, I think it would be hardly fair to Mr. Bottomley that he—the representative of the donor of the cup—should be asked to decide the question in dispute, for reasons which must be obvious, and which I fear he would be the first to point out.

I would suggest that three of the working members of the law Regatta Committee be asked to give a decision, say,

E. L. Woodin, Esq.
E. Burne, Esq.

gentlemen of experience in boating matters, and whose impartiality cannot be questioned.

If Mr. Bottomley wished, I would agree to add his name to the three mentioned, and let the quorum be four, or strike out one name—any you wish.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MONTAGUE BEAUM.

W. H. Forbes, Esq.

(Copy.)
Jan. 10th, 1888.

Dear Mr. Beart.—I am in receipt of your favor of this afternoon, and while I have no objection whatever to the gentlemen named in the case, this is a severe view to take of the matter which requires at least circumstantial evidence for support. It is, however, reasonable to conclude that those who advanced this theory are not suffering from mental derangement exactly; but that, on the contrary, their opinions are the outcome of careful study of the Chinese question.

The Chinese are essentially a superstitious people. Lately they have been freely discussing the probability of serious trouble in this kingdom, which it is alleged is foreseen by the early full snow accumulation.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MONTAGUE BEAUM.

W. H. Forbes, Esq.

(Copy.)
Wednesday morning.

Dear Mr. Forbes.—I am sorry you decline to refer the question to the three gentlemen named in my previous letter, for to whom I would enable them to come to a correct conclusion, and in such a case as this, which may mean establishing a precedent, it would be well that the decision should be based on a knowledge of the subject rather than upon a mere matter of opinion.

I gather from the decided nature of your last letter that it is final, so I am forwarding your correspont. to the newspaper, so that that portion to the public which is interested in this almost public yacht race may form its own opinion upon the point raised:

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MONTAGUE BEAUM.

W. H. Forbes, Esq.

(Copy.)
Jan. 11th, 1888.

Dear Mr. Beart.—Since receipt of your letter this morning, received after two o'clock, I have seen Mr. Bottomley and shown him the correspondence that has passed between us.

He is leaving for home to-morrow and says he knows as little about yachting matters that he would prefer to have the question raised by you referred to others.

I am, therefore, now perfectly willing that it should be referred to the three gentlemen named by you, their decision to be final:

As to your threat of publishing the correspondence that has passed between us in the newspapers, you are at liberty to do so now or at any time you may wish.

Yours truly,
W. H. Forbes.

M. Beart, Esq.

[The last letter was handed to us by Mr. Beart after the others were in type.]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

The following are the names of the teams for to-morrow's football match—Club v. Army and Navy (Rugby Union.)

ARMY AND NAVY (whites.)

Captain Sankey, R.A.

J. B. Coxon, R.A.

M. D. Graham, 58th

H. J. Eagles, H.M.S. Wanderer

H. S. Woodcock, R.A.

+ Backs.

C. E. Higginbotham, 58th

H. D. C. Huntsman, 58th

Fowards.

Rev. C. H. Cutles, H.M.S. Cordelia

H. N. Thompson, Med. S.

H. C. Metcalfe, 58th (Captain)

C. H. Smith, H.M.S. Audacious

C. P. Peeler, 58th

W. B. Powell, 58th

B. Bellairs, H.M.S. Audacious

A. A. Gordon, H.M.S. Constance

J. P. Brewin, R.E.

club (colours.)

H. F. Hall (Captain)

E. J. Coxon

J. W. Ord

A. Maclean

C. W. Dickson

R. Markwick

F. H. Shepherd

J. M. Atkinson

J. S. Legge

R. R. Thomson

J. Gray

G. H. Thompson

H. W. Bell

and others

The tent will be on the ground for ladies as usual, play to commence at 4 p.m.

Corea.

(from a Correspondent.)

Selcol, 20th Dec. 1887.

A few days ago an interesting yet mournful ceremony was performed here by the Japanese residents. It was an memorial service to commemorate the brutal massacre of some thirty innocent Japanese merchants &c. in the streets of this city just three years ago, i.e. during the outbreak of 1884, when the disastrous and tragic collision between the Chinese and Japanese took place. It is unnecessary to revert to the particulars of this affair as it was fully reported at the time, and the various incidents will long remain fresh in the memory of the general public; suffice it to say that the influence gained at the time by the Conservatives is to-day sunk in oblivion.

Answering your proposal to sail the race again I cannot say the solution of that difficulty presents itself to me in that light.

The race has certainly been sailed, and Mount ever won it or she is disqualified.

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